

#### 17555 PEAK AVENUE MORGAN HILL, CALIFORNIA 95037

Morgan Hill Library 660 West Main Avenue Chairperson:

Amy Whelan

Vice Chair:

Vacant

Morgan Hill, California

Commission Member: Commission Member: Jonathan Brusco Mury Little

Commission Member:

Pamala Meador

Commission Member:

Susan Brazelton

Commission Member:

Tim Hennesey

## LIBRARY, CULTURE AND ARTS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

## MINUTES – November 8, 2011

#### CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chair Whelan at 7:00 p.m.

#### ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

Commissioner Little was absent.

#### DECLARATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA

Posted Per Government Code 54954.2

#### OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment: (1) Doug Muirhead discussed commissioner emails available online and recognized that historical agendas and work plan are now available, which fulfills a request made at the September LCAC meeting.

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Commissioner Meador motioned with Commissioner Hennesey seconding the motion. Motion carried.

#### LIBRARY REPORTS

A. COUNTY LIBRARY REPORT

County Librarian

Written and verbal report delivered.

B. MORGAN HILL LIBRARY REPORT

Community Librarian

Written and verbal report delivered.

C. FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY REPORT

President

Written and verbal report delivered.

#### WORKPLAN UPDATES

City Liaison - Action Item: Commissioner Whelan to draft email update announcing new LCAC Commissioners and upcoming LCAC projects.

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Permanent Public Art – Action item: Commissioner Whelan to show Commissioner Brazelton the City's art collection. Commissioner Brazelton to document pieces for online gallery.

Art & Culture Events - Action item: Team to get update from Janet Leach about Peace Pole project, if progress is available.

Library Outreach & Support – No action item.

Cultural Heritage - No action item.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

#### 1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 8, 2011.

Commissioner Meador motioned, Commissioner Hennesey seconded.

#### **BUSINESS**

#### 2. No Action Item

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No announcements made.

#### **FUTURE COMMISSION INITIATED AGENDA ITEMS:**

Note: in accordance with Government Code Section 54954.2(a), there shall be no discussion, debate and/or action taken on any request other than providing direction to staff to place the matter of business on a future agenda.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> to the next monthly meeting at 7:00 p.m. on January 12, 2012, Morgan Hill Library, 660 West Main Avenue, Morgan Hill. Motion to adjourn and seconded.

MINUTES RECORDED AND PREPARED BY: LCAC Commissioner Amy Whelan

Library Commissioners Report Melinda Cervantes, County Librarian Santa Clara County Library November 2011

- The Library has greatly expanded our electronic book collection with the recent addition of Kindle eBooks. In September, Overdrive and Amazon launched Kindle compatibility to approximately 11,000 United States public and school libraries in its network. On a related note, circulation of eBooks for children and adults increased by well over 1,000 percent from 2008 to 2010.
- The Santa Clara County Library JPA Board discussed several aspects of the non-District resident library card fee at their October meeting, including concerns expressed in letters from Los Altos and Los Altos Hills city councils. At the next meeting of the Library JPA Board on January 26, 2012 at 1:30pm at the Library Administration Offices, 14600 Winchester Blvd., Los Gatos, staff will present recommendations to:
  - o provide free WiFi services to all visitors
  - o establish a fee for daily use of the Library's networked computers
  - exempt Library volunteers who meet certain eligibility guidelines from paying the non-District resident fee
  - review the funding formula in the JPA Agreement, which received its last comprehensive review in 2001

JPA agendas and minutes will be posted on the Library website the Friday before each meeting. <a href="https://www.santaclaracountylib.org">www.santaclaracountylib.org</a>

- Administrative Services Manager Gay Strand will be retiring effective December 2 after thirteen years of service to the Library. A recruitment for her successor will be initiated very soon.
- During the past two months, both Campbell and Los Altos libraries have undergone renovations to update furniture, enhance computer and electrical wiring, install new carpeting, and paint interior walls.
- Over the summer, the Library implemented online credit and debit card payment of fines and fees, which has been very well-received. Over the next several months, SCCL will also be installing cash/credit/debit self-payment stations in each library.
- At the California Library Association's (CLA) Annual Conference in Pasadena on November 11-13, Patricia Lorenzo, the Santa Clara County Library Service Manager for Outreach and Public Awareness, will receive the prestigious Outstanding Librarian in Support of Literacy Award for her work managing The Reading Program. In addition, at the same conference, Deputy County Librarian Derek Wolfgram will be sworn in as Vice President/President-Elect of CLA.

Silicon Valley Reads celebrates its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2012 kicking off on Wednesday, January 25, 2012 at 7:30pm at the Campbell Heritage Theater in Campbell. Two authors, Sumbul Ali-Karamali and G. Willow Wilson, whose books on what it is like to be both Muslim and American have been selected for Silicon Valley Reads 2012, the regional program that asks everyone in Santa Clara County to read the same books, at the same time, and talk about them. Santa Clara County Library is one of three co-sponsors along with the San Jose Public Library Foundation and the Santa Clara County Office of Education.

The Muslim Next Door by Sumbul Ali-Karamali and The Butterfly Mosque by G. Willow Wilson present two perspectives on their experiences as young American women who are also Muslim. Their stories provide insight into Islam including misconceptions about the faith and cultural traditions.

Silicon Valley Reads companion books for younger readers are: *It's OK to Be Different*, a picture book by Todd Parr, *One Green Apple* by Eve Bunting (K-2), *My Name is Bilal* by Asma Mobin-Uddin (grades 3-6) and *Skunk Girl* by Sheba Karim (grades 7 and up).

## Morgan Hill Library, Culture & Arts Commission November 08, 2011

### Peggy Tomasso, Community Librarian

Statistics	September 2011	September 2010
Circulation	66,002	70,875
Volunteer Hours	366.6	371.8
Programs # of programs/ # of participants	42/ 1,423	52/ 1,761

- ▶ During the last week of October the library celebrated All Hallow's Read where kids of all ages picked a prize (thanks to the Friends) from the "spooky box". All Hallow's Read was started by author, Neil Gaiman who wanted a holiday that gives away books. The library had close to 200 kids and teens participate and gave away approximately 50 "spooky" books.
- ► New ADA Station





▶ There will be a holiday break from story time. The last story time of the year will be on December 11 and it will resume on January 19.

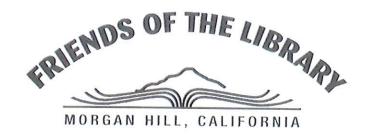
**Staff News**: We will be having a lot of staff retirements before the end of the year. Circulation Supervisor, Maona Grabscheid is retiring in November. Her last day will be November 18<sup>th</sup>. Margaret Rose, Senior Clerk and long time Morgan Hill resident, will retire in December. Her last day will be December 30<sup>th</sup>. We will also be saying goodbye to Rita Randall long time Reference Library Assistant on December 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### November/December Program Highlights:

**Children:** 11/2 Holiday Gift Guide: Advice from the Pros, 11/9 & 12/14: Reading Buddies, 11/19 Holiday Card Craft, 11/26:Family Movie Matinee: Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules, & weekly baby, toddler, preschool and bilingual story times through December 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Teen:** 11/16 & 11/16: Practice SAT, 11/22: Teen Movie Matinee: X-Men First Class, 11/29 Teen Movie Matinee: Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides, 12/6: College Admissions Workshop, 12/10: Decorate Gingerbread Cookies, 12/13 Make Your Own Ornaments,

**Adult:** 11/15: California Universal Health Care, 11/17: Great Decisions Series: Multiculturalism, 11/17: Book Discussion: *A Mercy* by Toni Morrison, 12/7 An Evening with Opera San Jose.



# Report to the LCA Commission, November 8, 2011 Teresa Stephenson

## **Friends Activities**

Teen Group Study Room.

- The street art mural project for the teen area of the library is proceeding as planned. Two street art workshops with artist Scape Martinez were held in September with about 18 teens participating, including several members of a local girl scout troop. Also in attendance were Derek Wolfgram, deputy county librarian; Peggy Tomasso, community librarian; and Tim Hennessy, LCAC commissioner.
- The artist has created sample color versions of two concepts using the work "inspire". The final design will be selected by the middle of November. The actual creation of the work should begin shortly afterwards.
- The donation of this artwork to the County Library District by the Friends of the Library was accepted by the JPA (Joint Powers Authority) without any conditions at its October 27 meeting.

## A Taste of Morgan Hill

The Friends participated with the Library Staff

#### Fall Book Sale

• The sale was held on October 15<sup>th</sup> and was very successful. Over \$1000 in sales and 50 new/renewal memberships. Current membership is 188.

## Book Party for Marty Cheek

• We had a celebration with Friends member Marty Cheek for the publication of his book "Clean Energy Nation: Freeing America from the Tyranny of Fossil Fuels", which has just been published. It is written with Congressman Jerry McNerney.

## **Upcoming Activities**

- November 10: Philanthropy Day Luncheon Andrew Poth, Webmaster, is the Friends honoree.
- November 10 13: MH Historical Society Boutique
- December 15: Annual Membership Meeting
  - Election of Officers
  - By Laws Revision
  - Speaker: David Marin, author of *This is Us The New All-American Family*



